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KRULAK SEES INJURY IN PENTAGON PAPERS

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9 (AP)—Lieut. Gen. Victor H. Krulak, the Marine Corps commander in the Pacific during the Vietnam war build-up, said today that publication of the Pentagon papers harmed the national interest; probably added to American casualties in Vietnam and prolonged the war.

"Disclosure of the papers by The New York Times was not all bad but, on balance, it did our national interest far more harm than good," said General Krulak, who retired from the service in 1968 to become president of Copley News Service.

"It did not shorten the war by an instant; it did not spare one casualty. To the contrary, it probably added to them because it gave our enemies heart," General Krulak said in a speech to the Pacific Coast Gas Association.

Under President John F. Kennedy, General Krulak was an adviser on counterinsurgency warfare, then became commanding general of the Pacific Fleet Marine Force in March 1964, a post he held until May 1968.

General Krulak said, "There is no shred of evidence that the unilateral Times action has done anything but paint a portrait of American devisiveness over the Vietnam issue and thus to encourage our enemies and protract the conflict."

He said The Times was in implicit violation of the law for

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